

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the above Amendments, submitted after the Notice of Allowance yet with the Issue Fee, in the above-identified case.

The Amendments are requested to correct mistakes that, while proper for correction by reissue, would require the filing of that document which Applicant wishes to avoid.

In claim 21, the word "said" was erroneously left in the claim from a previous amendment.


In claim 26, Applicant respectfully submits that it is substantively proper to recite that "said lining and said shell are sealed at a top region of said vessel in a manner that forms an air and water tight seal between said lining and said shell." This is a minor amendment that does not significantly impact the breadth of the claim, the principal substantive distinctions involving the combination of a metallic lining and a ceramic shell.

Noting that "amendment after allowance" is not a matter of right, Applicant hereby expresses appreciation to the Examiner for his time and effort in addressing this matter.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would help further prosecution of this case, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the listed telephone number. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge underpayment of any fees (including any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 for additional claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 including any fee for extension of time) associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-0272. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted  
on behalf of Applicant,

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